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In re Patent Application of

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For: THIN-FILM TRANSISTOR, METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE SAME, AND

LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for examination, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 23 as follows:

23. {AMENDED} An active-matrix-addressed liquid crystal display device comprising:

a substrate, on which the thin-film transistor according to claim 1; a data bus line electrically connected to the first heavily doped region of the thin-film transistor; a gate bus line electrically connected to at least one of the gate electrodes of the thin-film transistor; and a pixel electrode electrically connected to the second heavily doped region of the thin-film transistor have been formed, and

a liquid crystal layer, which has an optical state changeable with a potential level at the pixel electrode.

Please add new claim 24 as follows:

24. {NEW} An active-matrix-addressed liquid crystal display device comprising: a substrate, on which the thin-film transistor according to claim 14; a data bus line electrically connected to the first heavily doped region of the thin-film transistor; a gate bus line electrically connected to at least one of the gate electrodes of the thin-film transistor; and a pixel electrode electrically connected to the second heavily doped region of the thin-film transistor have been formed, and

a liquid crystal layer, which has an optical state changeable with a potential level at the pixel electrode.

<u>REMARKS</u>

The above amendments are made to place the claims in a more traditional format.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page(s) is captioned "<u>Version With Markings To</u>

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Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE CLAIMS

23. {AMENDED} An active-matrix-addressed liquid crystal display device comprising:

a substrate, on which the thin-film transistor according to claim 1 [or 14]; a data bus line electrically connected to the first heavily doped region of the thin-film transistor; a gate bus line electrically connected to at least one of the gate electrodes of the thin-film transistor; and a pixel electrode electrically connected to the second heavily doped region of the thin-film transistor have been formed, and

a liquid crystal layer, which has an optical state changeable with a potential level at the pixel electrode.